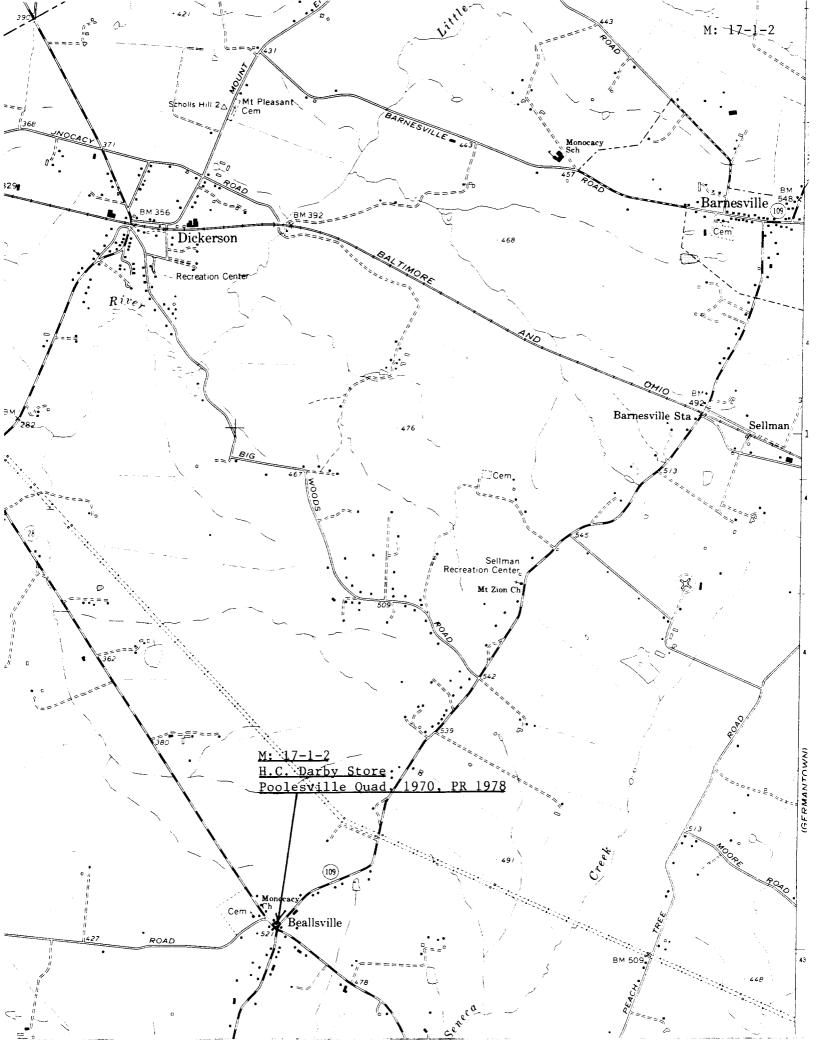
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At the northwest corner of this intersection stands the H.C. Darby General Store, which dates to about 1910. The store is a rectangular, gable-front, three-bay, 2 1/2-story frame building covered with white clapboard. The front gable has a returned cornice and a small Palladian-style window. There are large display windows across the first floor of the main facade and one window on the second floor is shuttered. Metal poles support a metal-roofed canopy over the front sidewalk, which is covered with wooden boards. The interior of the store has a pressed tin ceiling.

The building has been vacant since 1974 when the current owner, H.C. Darby (son of the builder, also H.C. Darby), retired. The building appears to be in good condition, but is used only for storage. In the early 1920s the post office was located in the store, and Mr. Darby's father was the postmaster. The Darby building, which has never been altered, is an excellent example of an early 20th century rural general store.



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H.C. Darby Store was surveyed, photographed and mentioned or described in the theme report "Early Twentieth Century Neighborhood Shopping Facilities in Montgomery County," by Andrea Rebeck, 1987. No yellow inventory form was recorded for this site.

(See vertical file Rebeck - 20th century study.)



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H. C. Darby Store
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South (front) elevation